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New Secrets System — Not only will CIA Director Stansfield Turner be dumped when President-elect Ronald Reagan takes the helm, but so will the chief spooks' brand-new classification system.

Some months ago, Turner called in a management consulting team to examine the agency's classification system and to devise one that would more severely limit the distribution of sensitive information.

The consultants came up with what they called the "Apex System," which was really just a new twist on something called the "withhold system." The latter was instituted by former Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger as a way of keeping secrets from congressmen, policy planners and sometimes the president himself.

But Reagan's intelligence advisers don't like Apex. They say the new president will favor the old pouch system. In short, secret papers will be carried by couriers, some of whom will stand guard over the documents while they are being read and then take them back.